



Office of the Governor
State of Missouri

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Eddie J. Johnson Jr., of Alton, Missouri, joined the Alton Fire Department as a volunteer firefighter in 2005, and was promoted to Fire Chief in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Fire Chief Johnson also served as a full-time police officer for the Alton Police Department and was an Oregon County Reserve Sheriff's Deputy; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2014, Fire Chief Johnson, age 45, died while serving the citizens of the Alton Fire Department and Police Department; and

WHEREAS, firefighters and law enforcement officials courageously and unselfishly strive to ensure the safety and well-being of their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Missouri are thankful for the brave individuals in the firefighting and law enforcement professions who consider the welfare of others a personal responsibility and work tirelessly to protect the lives and the property of their fellow citizens.

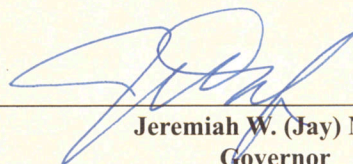
NOW THEREFORE, I, Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, as a mark of respect for the death of

FIRE CHIEF EDDIE J. JOHNSON JR.

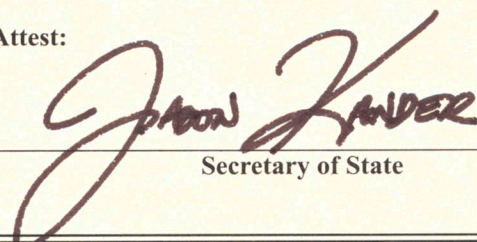
and for his bravery and service to the Alton Fire Department and Alton Police Department do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings in Oregon County, Missouri, for one full day on October 24, 2014, from sunrise to sunset.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 22nd day of October, 2014.




Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon
Governor

Attest:


Secretary of State